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DURING A CELEBRATION AT THE PERUVIAN DIPLOMATIC ACADEMY CELEBRATING THE 154TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE PERUVIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY AMBASSADOR EDUARDO VALDEZ MADE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS AUGUST 7 TO THE ASSEMBLED MEMBERS OF THE PERUVIAN FOREIGN SERVICE WITH REGARD TO THE MARCONA CASE (PUBLISHED IN THE OFFICIAL GAZETTE "EL PERUANO" OF AUGUST 8):

QUOTE: ...WE KNOW... THAT IN THE PAST, FOUR PRINCIPAL INTERNATIONAL POWER GROUPS--ROCKEFELLER, MORGAN, MELLON AND DUPONT, WERE THE OWNERS AND CONTROLLED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ALL THE SOURCES OF OUR NATIONAL ECONOMY, (THEY WERE) ACCOMPANIED IN THEIR DESIRE FOR PROFITS BY A NATIONAL OLIGARCHY WHICH WAS CONTENT WITH THE CRUMBS FROM THE BANQUETE (TABLE). OUR FOREIGN POLICY OF THOSE DAYS WAS, THEREFORE, NECESSARILY A REFLECTION OF THESE POWER GROUPS OF OWNDERS OF TRANSNATIONAL COMPANIES WHICH OPERATED IN PERU AND FROM THIS COMES THE EXPLANATION THAT (OUR FOREIGN POLICY) WAS TIMID AND DEPENDENT, AS THE PLAN INKA DECLARES,
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VISION OF THIS REALITY LEADS US ALSO TO THINK THAT WHEN A
PROCESS ATTACKS A SICKNESS FROM THE DEEPEST ROOTS, THE
ECONOMIC BASE, IT INEVITABLY PROVOKES A VIOLENT AND AGGRES-
SIVE REACTION BY THE AFFECTED INTERESTS. WE FELT THIS
REACTION AND SUFFERED UNDER IT FOR THE FIRST TIME WHEN
THE FIELDS OF LA BREA AND PARINAS WERE RECOVERED, AND
WE ARE SUFFERING IT NOW IN THE CASE OF MARCONA;
AND WE WILL SUFFER IT IN ALL THE ACTIONS
OF THE GOVERNMENT WHICH DEAL WITH THE BASIC ROOTS OF OUR
ILLS. PERUVIAN DIPLOMACY, WHICH HAD ITS BAPTISM OF FIRE
WHEN IT RESISTED THE MANEUVERS OF THE IPC AND ITS PRIN-
CIPLES, IS READY TO CONTINUE THE BATTLE...END QUOTE.
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